HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 783

By Ramsey

A RESOLUTION to recognize and honor Edwin D. Brown upon fifty years of dedicated service to his employer.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their careers in industry; and

WHEREAS, Edwin D. Brown is one such estimable citizen who has served with distinction for fifty years as an employee of Walker Die Casting, Inc., in Lewisburg; and WHEREAS, Mr. Brown is taking a much-deserved retirement on March 15, 2018; and WHEREAS, Walker Die Casting, Inc., opened its doors in 1958 with approximately fifty to sixty employees; Mr. Brown has worked there for fifty of the sixty years the company has been in existence, beginning his employment with Walker on December 4, 1967, as a machinist while also attending night school; and

WHEREAS, during Mr. Brown's tenure with Walker Die Casting, the company has grown into a multi-million dollar plant with approximately 1,000 employees, and he has served astutely in various capacities, including tool and die supervisor, tooling engineer, and tool room superintendent, in which position he has supervised fifty employees for the past twenty years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Brown has completed a multitude of continuing education courses to assist him in the performance of his duties; he holds a diploma in machine shop and welding from the Shelbyville Area Vocational School, a certificate in value analysis training from General Motors, and a certificate in designing die cast die and has received training in the use of Pro/Engineer Cad Systems and Castflow and Castherm Systems in gate design and heat transfer; and

WHEREAS, in his spare time, Mr. Brown enjoys gardening, reading, working in his wood shop, traveling, and following his children and grandchildren to all their events; he hopes to add fishing to his list of activities after he retires; and

WHEREAS, his many professional accomplishments aside, Edwin Brown is most grateful for the love and companionship he shares with his wife of fifty years, Angela Brown; his daughters and sons-in-law, Audrey and Mike Woodward, Holly and Lonny Drayton, and Lindy and Tyrus King; his son, Timothy Brown; and his five grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Edwin D. Brown exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Mr. Brown has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his colleagues and superiors alike; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we recognize and honor Edwin D. Brown upon fifty years of dedicated service to Walker Die Casting, Inc., and extend to him our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.